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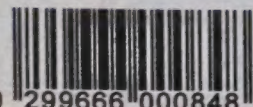
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Snow fun

*at Victoria Street School
in Haliburton*

The abundance of snow made coming back to school so much fun for these young Victoria Street School students, who were delighted to back amongst friends on Monday morning after the

holidays. Here, Madison Barton arrives to see what winter mischief Sierra Kleptke, Chloe Kitcheman and Chelsea Greene are up to.

As weather cools, retailing heats up

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Any new retailer on a main street in the Highlands will quickly learn the one eternal truth about doing business here:

As the weather goes, so goes your business.

"We are so dependent on the weather," says Andy Glecoff, who owns V & S Department Store with his family. "We need a cold winter and a warm summer."

While it's one thing to realize this retailing truth, it's quite another to accept that when it comes to the weather, there's little you can do about it.

For instance, the first two

weeks in December were unusually slow in local stores. Not only was there no snow outside to put everyone in the Christmas spirit, but the clear roads also made it easier for people to head out of town.

"People were wearing running shoes outside," says Glecoff, adding that the longer winter takes to arrive, the longer people have to decide that they can make do with what they already have.

No snow also meant that more cottagers stayed in the city rather than come to the Highlands for outdoor activities such as skiing and snowmobiling. Glecoff says although retailers really appreciate the support the stores receive from local resi-

dents, it's the influx of cottagers and visitors who make businesses viable.

He also says that if local residents can find what they want in the Highlands at a fair price, they'll stay in town to buy it.

For many people who live out of town, shopping in the Highlands is much preferred to the hustle and bustle of the city. At Cranberry Cottage, owner Ruth DeJong says that when cottagers arrive for the holiday, "it's so nice to see them so happy."

She agrees with Glecoff that having snow has a lot to do with this spirit of festivity. In early December, when the ground was bare and the temperatures higher than normal, no one real-

ly seemed to be in the mood for Christmas shopping.

"Maybe because it was so balmy, they didn't have the spirit. When the snow's not there, I don't feel Christmasy either," she says.

The colder it got, the more business began to heat up. One of the hottest spots was The Pump Shop in Haliburton, which started with a showroom full of hot tubs and ended the holiday with only two left.

"As soon as the cold weather came, it was a steady line of people," says Dave McKay.

He credits the growing expense of family entertainment - and families' willingness to

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Weather gave everyone something to talk about

WHAT DO people do when they're stuck at home because their car won't start in the cold or there's too much snow blocking the driveway? Talk about the weather, of course. Here's some of the cold, hard facts from Phil Graham, a long-time amateur weather watcher in Minden. The first day of 1999 was bitterly cold, with temperatures dropping down to -34° that night "but it warmed up a degree or so by morning." He didn't have to look too far back in his record books to find out the last time we had such a cold January 1/2: it was only two years ago that the mercury dropped to -35°. The new year continued in its wintry fashion by dumping 21 cm, or 10 inches, of snow over the Highlands the next night. By Sunday afternoon there was 42 cm of snow on the ground. (Snow-mobilers are reminded that the ice on the lakes is

very recent and to avoid travelling on the lakes as much as possible.)

Three young men far away from their home town in the Highlands didn't want to be homesick on New Year's Eve, so they came up with a unique alternative - they got together in Amsterdam. Sam Little and brothers Greg and Peter Brohman used their Eurail passes to start the new year in a new setting and the three of them spent the night on the town in this historic Dutch city. Both Sam and Greg are working in Europe - Sam as co-op student in Ireland and Greg as a teacher in England - and Peter, who's in his final year at Durham College, flew in for the European holiday.

Echo editor Martha Perkins would like to extend a special thank you to the Ariesens for their kind hospitality on Sunday morning. The

here, there & everywhere — news and events worth noting



HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

On Sunday afternoon, dozens of wellwishers gathered at the Lochlin Community Centre to celebrate Celia Brown's 90th birthday. Many people were her former students who remain indebted to her kindness and steadfast desire to share knowledge. The centre is the village's former school, where Mrs. Brown took on all eight grades at the front of the class.

Ariesens live on Crooked House Road, which wasn't plowed when Perkins arrived for an interview at the home of Debbie and Grahame Wales, just up the road. Unable to get even part-way up the Wales' driveway, and not wanting to leave her car on the side of the road in case the snowplow arrived, she doubled back to the Ariesens, the closest neighbours who had their driveway shovelled clear of the fresh quarter-metre fall of snow. Knocking on their door, she introduced herself and explained her plight, asking if she could park in their driveway during the interview. They graciously agreed, and also inquired about how to go about getting a subscription to *The Echo*. Perkins said it was as easy as taking a cheque back to the office with her, which she did. We sincerely hope they enjoy the next year of reading about the other fine people who call the Highlands home.

Sunday morning services at Lochlin United Church had to be cancelled because none of the parishioners could get

out their driveway. Luckily, the snowplows had arrived by that afternoon, when the community gathered at the community centre to wish retired teacher Celia Brown all the best as she celebrates her 90th birthday.

A special memorial gift was given to the 4Cs in honour of the late Dot Burk, a loyal volunteer at the church co-operative. Danielle's Hair Salon in Haliburton held an in-store raffle of beauty products and the proceeds, \$150, were donated to the 4Cs in memory of the hard-working Haliburton resident.

The staff and residents at Haliburton Extendicare lost a special friend last week when Lila Simmons passed away. Mrs. Simmons had suffered a stroke when she was in her fifties, and had been a resident at the nursing home for the past 23 years, one of the first residents to call the new facility home. She will be missed.

Condolences go out to Chris Hope, the young CBC Radio producer who is constantly promoting the interesting people and places in the Highlands, where he has been a Long Lake (Miskwabi) cottager since youth. His father, Michael, passed away before Christmas, and will be deeply missed by his family as well as his friends in the Highlands.

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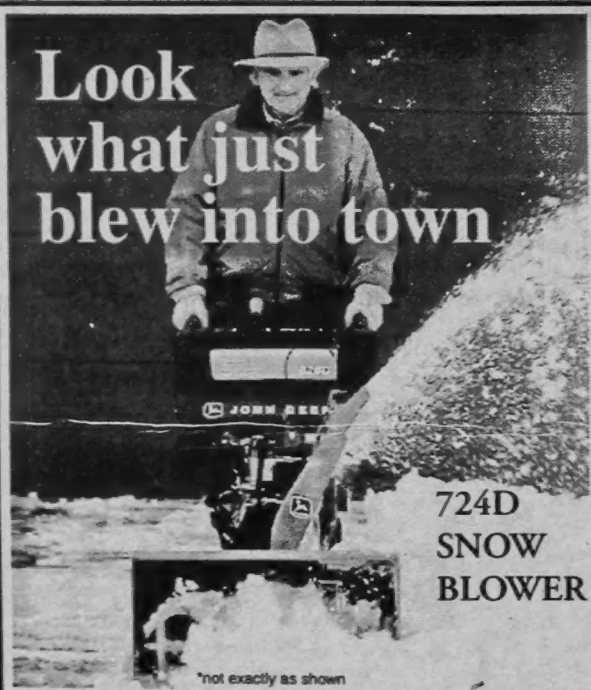
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See lots, hear lots, but say nothing:

The life of a page at Queen's Park

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

IN THE MONTH Josh Wales spent as a Queen's Park page, he heard a lot and saw a lot, but he's sticking to his solemn promise not to say a lot about the details of those experiences.

Asked what political party he'd vote for now that he's seen all three in action, the Carnarvon teenager just smiles and mimes the motion of zippering his mouth shut.

Aha! Someone who knows at a tender age that a closed mouth gathers no foot! A politician in the making?

Not likely, Josh says. MPP Chris Hodgson's job is safe as far as this 13-year-old boy's concerned.

"I don't think I'll ever be a politician," he says, back home at Crooked House Road after a month of city life.

Until he became a page, Josh hadn't really followed politics, except for the snippets he saw on television. Then his teacher at Archie Stouffer Elementary

School handed out applications for the page's job, and Josh decided to give it a try. Surprised at being selected, he was nonetheless excited about starting work on November 23.

Back in September, he had an orientation day at Queen's Park and was given a seating plan of the chamber's so he could try to memorize where each Member sat.

For the first few days on the job, finding his way around the maze of offices at the legislature and Whitney Block was no easy matter, however, and Josh admits to getting lost the first morning he had to deliver messages.

His day went something like this: mornings are spent delivering messages to the various MPPs' offices. Although these messages would travel faster by e-mail or fax, Josh thinks the politicians like the air of ceremony the pages add to the legislative atmosphere.

"The pages give a sense of historical meaning," says Josh. "It's more traditional."

After the regular delivery route from office to office was



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finished, the pages prepared the Chambers for the afternoon sitting, which usually ran from 1 to 6 p.m., with Question Period starting at 4. As he'd find out, all the yelling the politicians do makes them thirsty, and a page can be kept very busy keeping everyone's water glass full.

"They work pretty hard but there's also silliness going on," he remarks of the politicians' behaviour, behaviour his parents, Grahame and Debbie, certainly wouldn't tolerate at home.

"If someone's talking and they don't agree, they make it clear - they yell a lot, heckle, and talk

amongst themselves. Some of them just speak to be put on the record or be seen on television."

On alternate afternoons, half the pages would stay in the Chambers for Question Period and half would go downstairs for lessons in math and legislative process. If you didn't get 80% on the latter subject, you were asked to go home.

Living in the city was certainly one of the perks of the job, and certainly a learning experience for a boy who grew up in a house without electricity and running water. (The Wales have since joined the 20th century.)

He stayed with his mother's

cousin in the Beaches and would take the street car back and forth to Queen's Park. You never knew who you'd share the journey with. "It was an interesting ride," Josh says. "There was one stoned guy, a woman passed out and one guy started yelling."

Josh just sat there like a polite young man from Carnarvon.

"It was a great month and I made a lot of friends," he says, home since his last day on the job on December 18. "It was really fun but it is nice to come back here."

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Many cottagers spend holiday in the Highlands

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pay the price – to the growing popularity of hot tubs.

"It's something that can be used by several people 12 months of the year and it's not as expensive as snowmobiling," he says.

Home entertainment has its quieter side, too. In one day after Christmas, people who had received an aquarium as a present bought up every fish at The Great Haliburton Feed Company.

Fish are becoming more popular as "pets" because they aren't as much work, they're soothing to look at, and people who live

in "no pet" buildings can still have an aquarium.

The week after Christmas proved to be one of the busiest for many retailers, who noticed a marked increase in the number of cottagers spending the holiday in the Highlands.

"It was a little late in starting but there seemed to be tons of people here after Christmas," says Rennie Bonfield, who owns Country Pickin's with his wife Laurie.

"People were looking for sales but they weren't shy in terms of spending," he noted, hoping that 1999 can be an equally strong year for retailers.



PROMISES FULFILLED:

Just before the holidays, the Haliburton Rotary Club presented the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation with a cheque for \$20,000, the first installment of its promise to commit \$250,000 to the fundraising campaign for the two new healthcare projects. Taking part were, from left: Rotary Club President Jerry Walker, Rotarian Ted Brandon, the Foundation's Don Popple, Dave Gray, Dale Walker, Gord Monk, and Rotarians Peter Forgrave and Hugh Nichol.

Minden OPP charge three men with impaired driving during Christmas break

On December 29, Const. Adams stopped a vehicle on Haliburton County Road 1 and arrested a 52-year-old Snowdon man on charges of Impaired Driving and Operate a Motor Vehicle with more than 80 mgs. of Alcohol.

On December 31, Const.

Bennett investigated a truck on the side of Highway 121 in Monmouth Twp. and a 57-year-old Monmouth man was arrested on charges of Impaired Driving and Operate a Motor Vehicle with more than 80 mgs. of Alcohol.

On January 1, Const. Jarvis

stopped a vehicle on Highway 35 in Lutterworth Twp. and arrested a 37-year-old Mississauga man on charges of Impaired Driving and Operate a Motor Vehicle with more than 80 mgs. of Alcohol.

Recovered stolen snowmobile

On Dec. 31, Const. Neville investigated an abandoned snowmobile at Minnicock Lake near Haliburton. The snowmobile had been reported stolen from County Road 121 on Dec. 24.

Theft of insulation

On Dec. 28, \$4,000 worth of insulation and vapour barrier was reported stolen from a cottage construction site near Kinmount. The theft occurred overnight on December 14.

Break, enter and thefts

On Dec. 28, Const. Manuge investigated a break-in at a cottage at Little Kennisis Lake. Stolen from inside is a leather chair and ottoman; 25 CDs; and two Nishik mountain bikes, with combined value of \$1,200.

On December 28, Const. Collings investigated a break-in at a cottage near Ox Narrows, north of Carnarvon. Stolen from inside is an RCA VCR; Pioneer CD player and a Pioneer stereo receiver. These items are valued at \$800.

On December 28, Const.

Collings investigated a break-in to a shed at a cottage in McClintock Twp., north of Dorset. Stolen from the shed is a Stihl model 34 chain saw and orange case; three axes; a splitting maul; injection oil and four gas cans. Items are valued at \$700.

On December 28, Const. Carmount investigated a break-in at a cottage at Lower Monmouth Lake in Monmouth Twp. Stolen from the cottage is a 5000 watt Coleman generator; several power saws and drills; RCA 13" TV/VCR; water pump and tank; JVC radio and a gas trimmer. Items are valued at \$4,000.

On December 28, Const. Davis investigated the theft of a 1993 Yamaha Big Bear ATV from a garage at a cottage on Benoir Lake near Harcourt.

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Victoria Street School to get new principal

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The new year will bring in new changes at a school which is about to get a new name.

At the beginning of next month, Debbie Wales will become the principal of Victoria Street School, but she won't be at her new job for long before she and the entire school move to the other side of Haliburton.

If the final stages of construction go according to plan, after the March Break the students and staff at the aging red brick school will be moving into their new digs at the Stuart Baker Elementary School next to J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School.

For the kindergarten to Grade 2 students, this will seem like a huge change in their lives, but to Wales, it will be like old home week. Until last spring,

she was the vice-principal at JDHES.

Wales is replacing Judy Tomlinson-Ross, who is becoming principal of a K to 8 elementary school in Huntsville.

"This has worked out so perfectly," says Tomlinson-Ross, who's looking forward to the move because it allows her to spend weeknights with her aging parents who live near the Muskoka town. Ironically, she'll return on weekends to the Haliburton home she shares with her husband, just a quick walk from Stuart Baker School.

Tomlinson-Ross, who used to be vice-principal of Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden, says she's glad to be going back to a school with more grades. "I love the little kids but I miss the big ones," she says.

Embracing new challenges means saying goodbye to old ones, however. "I'm going to miss the staff at Victoria Street, the students the parents - I'm going to miss them all."

She wishes them all well as they prepare to make the move to their new school.

"I'm really excited about it," agreed Wales during the Christmas break.

When school started last September, Wales was supposed to take on her new role as principal of the K to 8 Ridgewood school in Cobocok. But before the summer was out, she had a serious heart attack, and is still on sick leave.

During her sick leave, the vice-principal of Ridgewood, Frank Darling, became the interim principal, and he's been doing such a fine job, Wales was uneasy about stepping in. Although she had been really looking forward to working with Ridgewood's teaching staff, "they didn't need any



One of the hardest things about leaving, says Judy Tomlinson-Ross, who is becoming principal of a school in Huntsville, will be saying goodbye to the young students, such as Sarah Stephenson.

more change down there."

As well, the six months she's spent recuperating at home has given her a new perspective. Ridgewood, with its nine grades, was going to be an exciting challenge, but it did mean a long drive from her home near Carnarvon. She was surprised, and then delighted, when told there was the opportunity to go to Victoria Street School instead.

Being principal of a school with only three grades will be

less stressful, and require her to spend less time on the road, two things which have become more important to her since her heart attack.

"The new school is great, the staff is wonderful and the kids are fun to work with," she says about the move.

As well, she's looking forward to being next door to JDHES. "We get along really well and will be doing some sharing - especially of the school yard."



Debbie Wales is looking forward to working with the "wonderful" staff at VSS, soon to become Stuart Baker Elementary School.

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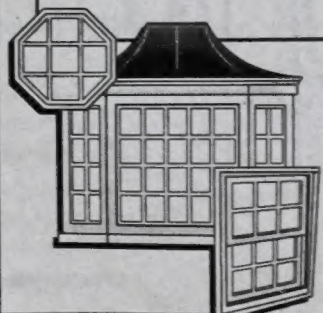
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All the things that once seemed strange about life in the Highlands have become what Yolanda Cowan has grown to love

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

CANADIANS MIGHT "stand on guard" for their country, but it's only fitting that a young woman from Down Under will offer her salute every time she sits down.

One of Yolanda Cowan's favourite mementos of her year spent in Canada as a Rotary exchange student is a small maple leaf she now has tattooed on one cheek – and not the cheek that tries to contain her smile when she looks back on all of her wonderful memories.

That smile, however, will often be accompanied by tears this week as Yolanda says goodbye to all the people who have made the year so special.

"It's a chapter of my youth

closing, I'm leaving so many of the people who influenced me, and I'm losing a sense of normality," she says Sunday, the morning after all of her host families gathered at Grahame and Debbie Wales' house near Carnarvon to say goodbye.

The 18-year-old Minden Rotary exchange student knows she'll leave this weekend a far different person from the one who arrived last January. So much of what she first thought strange is now so familiar to her and she's grown so much as an individual, it's life back home in Australia which will seem out of synch at first.

She's even lost her Australian accent. A natural mimic, she sounds as Canadian as her many friends at HHSS, and when she tells the stories of

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"I'll never be the same again," Yolanda Cowan says

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This week will be the hardest for exchange student

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other exchange students she's met, she picks up their accents as well.

"I'll never be the same again. I'm more aware, more open minded, and I know I'm capable of moving on and starting a new life," she says, curled up on a couch with her latest host siblings, Josh and Jenn Wales, while the fire keeps the chill from the winter storm at bay. "Because I've been given freedom, I've had to set my own limits. I've had to decide when I'm safe and trust myself."

Learning to adapt was a lesson she began learning on day one. Bill and Penny Obee, who would be her third host family, picked her up at the Toronto Airport for the snowy drive north to Haliburton. Yolanda sat in the back seat, and was getting increasingly worried as Mrs. Obee turned around to talk to her. "Could you please watch the road," Yolanda said nervously to Mrs. Obee, who was sitting on the right hand side of the car. "Then I realized she didn't have a steering wheel in front of her."

"Driving was the first culture shock," says the teenager who comes from a country where they drive on the opposite side of the road.

Beguiled by the snow that greeted her, Yolanda would call her photograph album "My life inside a Christmas card." Winter was magical, especially for someone who had left the oppressive +40° temperatures of an Australian summer.

She says that although Christmas is in the midst of Australia's hottest season, their Christmas cards still have snowmen and winter scenes on them. As a child, she convinced herself that the exhaust screen above her kitchen stove was transformed into the chimney Santa would come down, laden with presents. Having Christmas in the Wales' log home, surrounded by trees covered with snow, with a winter hush in the air, it was like all her Christmas dreams come to life.

Snow was easier to get used to than life at HHSS. In Australia, all the students wear uniforms and after a few days in the Highlands, "I had to buy clothes because I wasn't used to needing so many."

Not having a uniform made her feel awkward at first because so much unfamiliar emphasis was placed on fashion. "I thought I was being judged by my appearance and I wrote in my diary that I felt like I was in Barbie land. 'I don't know if I can do this,' I said."

Twelve months later, she still thinks it's better for students to wear uniforms. It takes a lot of pressure off them to buy clothes and lets people's personalities become their more predominant feature.

Along with new fashions came new social behaviours. Back home, very few teenagers date in high school; in her class of 150, she says there were probably only four

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It won't be easy to say goodbye to the Highlands because "It's a chapter of my youth closing, I'm leaving so many of the people who influenced me, and I'm losing a sense of normality"

EXCHANGE STUDENT YOLANDA COWAN

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couples and they didn't even hold hands at school. Here, not only do teenagers date, but they're very demonstrative with their affections in very public places.

"They have a smoking area at the high school, why don't they create a 'make-out area,' instead of in front of my locker," she suggests, only partly in jest. (And by the way, when asked what she'll least miss about the Highlands, she says "to all the people in the smoking area who spit on the ground, it's really gross.")

Yet she really admires the way parents here give their children more responsibility and as a result, more freedom.

"It's a lot less strict here," she says. Every time her host families - Ron and Toos Reid, Maureen Peters, the Obeyes and Waleses - gave her freedom, "I knew I owed them as much respect as they showed me."

Being with her host families made her also realize how much her own family's lives had changed after the death of her father from skin cancer when Yolanda was only 14. Not only did she like having a father in the house again, but with her host families, she also discov-

ered she liked having sisters, even if that meant the occasional tiff. (She has two brothers back home, which used to be Mackay in Queensland but will now be 12 hours south in Brisbane, where she'll be attending university in February. Her mother and younger brother recently moved there, too.)

Much as she loved Haliburton, her trips away were also a highlight of the exchange. Last March she spent 10 days in Washington, D.C., visiting a friend who had been to Australia on exchange. Touring the city was fun, but she soon realized that her girlfriend had started hanging around with a less-than-desirable crowd. "The people experience I had was quite different than the one here," she says. "It upset me at first, but I learned I could trust myself and wouldn't be influenced by those around me. I haven't been homesick for Australia, but when the 10 days were up, I was homesick for Canada - I wanted to get back home."

She made shorter trips in Ontario, including a camping trip in Algonquin Park, before heading out on a month-long bus tour to the West Coast of Canada and back with 90 other exchange students. After 12,000 kilometres, she can truly say "it's a big country." The scenery, she's quick to add, "is absolutely breathtaking."

Because the year has been so wonderful, it's even harder to say goodbye to. This will be a difficult week, knowing she's enjoying experiences and friendships for perhaps the last time. What was unusual for her at first is now the usual - and the loved.

Yet before that final day of goodbyes arrives, Yolanda is going to have to deal with one of those universal truths of a teenager's life: "she's going to have to clean her room," her host mother laughs.

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It's the little things

DURING A VISIT with one of our older residents last week, she happened to make a very telling observation. With the construction of new schools and hospitals addressing some of the very big needs of Highlands' residents, people are tending to forget some of the very small ones, such as a senior citizen's desire to be able to get out of a car on the main street of Haliburton and not have to climb a snow bank to get to the sidewalk.

"People's heads are in the clouds and they're not looking down at their feet," she said before the new year's big snowfall, when it's to be expected that the municipal road crews and snowplow operators won't be able to immediately clear everything away.

Taking a look at the snow banks, and trying to see them through an older person's eyes, and one realizes that they are rather formidable obstacles for people who have the simple desire to walk to the stores safely.

echo

editorial

martha perkins

With an understandable fear of falling, and less physical strength and mobility, many seniors prefer to stay at home rather than risk an accident.

So it doesn't matter how much money is spent on "revitalizing" downtowns if people physically can't get to the stores. And rather than wait for municipal government "to do something about it", merchants have to make their own effort to make sure their senior shoppers' needs are addressed. No one is to "blame" for the snow but everyone has to take responsibility for the hardships it creates.

Then there's the Millennium thing

Purists, we hope, already accept they have been defeated in convincing the world that the new millennium doesn't actually begin until the year 2001. To all extents and purposes, the transition from 1999 to 2000 is the big one in most people's minds and when you look at it from a purely numerical point of view, they're right. So let the millennium begin January 1, 2000 (such is the power of the press!)

While one second is usually no more important than another second, there is something magical about being present, along with five billion other people, when it the ticking of a clock, we move not only from one century to another, but one millennium to the next.

Of course, coming up with ways to herald such a momentous occasion is a formidable task, but we're sure Highlanders can rise to the challenge. Does anyone have any ideas on how to acknowledge such a passage of time? One suggestion is to have school children design banners for the main street, creating colourful images of Haliburton in the Year 2000. (It's funny, but when you think of the year 2000, one does expect a world similar to that of the movie 2001: A Space Odyssey. Yet the Year 2000 will look largely like it does today, which isn't that much different than it's been for the past few decades. For the generation raised on the Jetsons cartoon, we'll already be behind the times on January 1, 2000. For those who remember travelling by horse and cutter, there's already been too much change.)

If you have any ideas, please pass them on to *The Echo* so we can share them with our readers and perhaps, a few of them can then be acted upon.



Winter woodlands

by Len Pizze

letters to the editor

Fishermen urged to get involved

To the Editor:

Since April of this year (1998), Pat Kennedy and I have been meeting at least once a month with a group of Ministry of Natural Resources staff members to revisit lake trout regulations in our local area. Our input at these meetings has been constructive, thought-provoking, and sometimes just plain provoking. I think as a group, we are building a new road to lake trout management - but it does have a few potholes. We are striving to ensure it has a good solid base to last.

The association organized two public meetings this past season. The first meeting was just off the wall. We wanted to see what direction you, the anglers, expect us to take. The second was a little more formatted and we received great feedback from this meeting. A third meeting is being planned for Saturday, January 9, 1999 at 10 a.m. at the Minden Community Centre. These meetings are not for members only - the more the merrier.

The next meeting will deal with information-gathering, regulation changes and lake trout management. The emphasis will be on information gathering. If we have good information, regulations won't be built on unstable ground.

When I was a kid, my fishing companion and mentor, my Dad, gave me a warning about a cat. He said, "the first time the cat scratches you, it's the cat's fault. The second time it's your

own damn fault." I was a little older before I realized it wasn't just cats he was talking about.

As anglers, we sat back in 1996 and watched lake trout regulations changed to what anglers considered unacceptable. Through the efforts of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association and dedicat-

ed MNR staff, you have an opportunity to have some input in future regulation changes. Remember, if you get scratched the second time, don't expect anyone to shed a tear.

Larry Hewitt, Vice-President,
Haliburton Highlands
Outdoors Association

The Winter Blahs

The lack of heat seems to be the cause

We all experience the Winter Blahs.

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The snowman is dressed up fit to kill

With frozen hands that do not spill.

The animals are moving or sleeping in

Our dogs are acting like next of kin.

Then why do we dread the Winter Blahs?

Should be so thankful, there is no cause.

Lord You have given us this wonderful place

Help me to Thank You for your grace.

by James B. Cooper
Beech Lake

your letters

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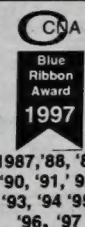
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A parent's post-holiday thoughts

THE SKY HUNG LOW AND THREATENING as the old car pulled uncertainly out of the driveway. Steve raised his arm in one last farewell wave before turning back to his house. He always felt a bit sad when his son returned to the city after a visit. Of course in the winter, weather was a concern and his son's car looked about as reliable as a politician's promise. Although he had faith in his son's driving and in life's usually positive outcomes, Steve still wished they could live closer together.

But he knew that was not practical and probably, at least for this stage of his son's life, desirable. Young people need to find their own way and the best thing parents can do is cheer them on from the sidelines. Steve knew this but continued to worry about such things as icy roads and the job market. Silently worry, of course.

He wondered what would happen next year; if his son would be able to spend the prolonged visit as he had this time. Girlfriends have a way of changing those kind of plans and his son had talked a great deal about a special female he was just getting to know. Like Steve, the young man was shy and somewhat cautious with the opposite sex, preferring to have a solid friendship before plunging into emotional entanglements. Living through a divorce will do that to both generations, no doubt about it.



sharon lynch

down
our
road

If father and son lived closer together, they could share some thoughts about love, life and relationships more frequently, rather than trying to cram it all into the usual holiday bustle. What a treat it would be to drop by for a coffee or pick up the phone for a chat without thinking about the long distance costs. Distance means less spontaneity; less sharing.

Only this morning Steve had had a conversation with his cousin Dave about the very subject of grown children coming home for the holidays. As Dave put it, "Every year it gets a bit easier to let go." For Steve it would never be very easy.

Dave had a daughter about the same age as Steve's son. She usually arrived home with a friend, male or female, which restricted the private time Dave had with her. But she lived closer and so Dave saw her more often than Steve's situation. That could change however, as she was talking about travelling with one of these friends next year. They planned to cover most of North and South America and take their time. Dave was resigned to not seeing her for a year or so. Steve didn't want to even imagine his son doing something similar. Yet he knew it could happen. Travel was good. Kids grow up and away.

But right now, Steve was not going to think about his son going any farther than the city. So, to keep himself busy, he put his coat and boots back on and started shovelling the driveway. There wasn't that much snow, but all of a sudden, he wanted to do something physical.

Starting a new year, thinking of the approaching millennium, had put his mind to pondering the future. And to Steve, that meant thoughts of the diverging paths he and his son were already on. Thoughts that he had to approach slowly, preferably in the evening as he sat calmly in front of the fireplace. Not now, in the middle of the day, when he felt his anxiety level start to climb. Thoughts of the dangers lurking in the big, bad world, lying in wait for a trusting young man from the country, did little to ease Steve's future fears.

He had to have faith, he told himself, scooping shovel after shovel full of snow and throwing it over his shoulder. Faith that his son was a capable person, who could make good decisions; faith that his son would never want to remove himself from Steve's life completely; faith that the universe will always unfold in the best possible way for the ultimate good of both he and his son.

Steve knew these things. He believed these things. It was just that sometimes, he wanted promises that life would always be kind and fair to him and those he held dear. He wanted the kind of promises he used to give his son when he tucked him in at night after a story; that tomorrow will be a wonderful day and something good is always waiting around the corner to make people happy when they least expect it. Such a promise would be good to have right now. Preferably in writing.



pic of the past

This photo of the Wilberforce Skating Club in the early 1950s will bring back a lot of happy memories for the people featured. From left, (with married names, when known, in parenthesis), are, back row: Bev Hughey, Shirly Godfrey (Mumford), Flo Billings (Taylor), Emily Billings, Sylvia Tallman, ?, Sondra ?. and the instructor. Middle row: Keith

Gibbs, Gloria Jean Herlihey (Stepanik), Anne Earl, Bonnie Johnson, Debbie Godfrey, Joyce Saunders and Carol Jean Herlihey (Marcus.) Front row: John Mathers, ? Wayne Klapow, Suzanne Klapow (Anderson), Linda Mather (Easton) and Patsy Watson (Cooper.) Our thanks to Suzanne Anderson of Tory Hill for sharing the photo with us.

Volunteers make country stronger

CANADA HAS long been enriched by an active and generous volunteer spirit. Volunteer efforts help improve the quality of life of all Canadians. Whether it is through contributions, volunteering time, or doing community work, our caring is making a difference in the lives of people everywhere and Canada's volunteer spirit is not only strong; it's getting stronger.

The federal government partnered with the Canadian voluntary sector to carry out the most comprehensive survey ever done in Canada of how Canadians provide help and support to others. It is entitled the National Survey of Giving, Volunteering and Participating, and is the latest in a series of steps we are taking to gain a better understanding of how to build a new and lasting partnership with the voluntary sector.

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- 88% of Canadians make financial or in-kind donations.

Alongside the public and private sectors, the voluntary sector constitutes the third pillar of Canadian society and the economy. Based on the recognition that the government doesn't

have the resources to do everything, a new balance is emerging. All three sectors are necessary to improving our quality of life, the vibrancy of our communities and the vitality of Canadian institutions.

To foster the spirit of giving, the federal government has provided better tax incentives to encourage all Canadians to increase their charitable giving. We have raised the limit of donations eligible for tax credits from 20 percent to 75 percent of total personal income.

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We have created VolNet, a network that will link 10,000 voluntary organizations to each other through the Internet. VolNet is part of our larger strategy to make Canada the most connected nation in the world by the year 2000. The government is donating \$5-million annually to support this program.

Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur



The Skyline Bonspiel celebrates its 40th birthday

... and Ray Scott,
who's competed in all
of them, will throw
the first rock



"It's the highlight of the Haliburton curling season and a great time to greet old friends and meet new ones," says organizer Wayne Hussey, who, along with 82-year-old curler Ray Scott invites people to watch the action January 15 to 17 at the Haliburton Curling Club

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

NO MATTER what you say about the excitement of pitting your skills against some tough competition, curling bonspiels are also much enjoyed because of the camaraderie which takes place off the ice.

Ray Scott remembers the early years of the Skyline Men's Invitational Bonspiel, which will be celebrating its 40th anniversary at the Haliburton Curling Club on January 15 to 17.

In the old days, buying liquor in the Highlands was no easy matter, so bootleggers were known to prosper. As well,

the club didn't have a liquor licence, but that didn't stop it from selling beer after the games.

"We had a room in the basement called the Snake Pit," remembers Scott, who's curled in the first 39 Skyline Bonspiels and will throw the first rock (and, it's hoped, a few others) at the 40th. "It was cement block with no windows. We had to have someone at the door watching out for the police (who weren't as keen about home-brewed alcohol.)

"It made it more exciting," he smiles.

"The Snake Pit was always a lively place during the Skyline," says present-

day organizer Wayne Hussey, who always tried to make sure he could return home to Haliburton for the bonspiel when education and his career took him outside the county's borders. "Some players bought drink tickets by stretching their arms and saying 'I'd like this many' - the distance between their outstretched fingers."

Saturday night post-curling parties at the Dell Haven or Halimar, where many of the visiting curlers used to stay, also became a well-known feature of the bonspiel.

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Old curling club was as cold inside as it was outside

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"These parties started at about 1 a.m. and ended at five or six a.m.," Hussey says. "Bev Smith from Oshawa, who still comes up, used to bring an organ or piano, and some other Oshawa musicians usually joined in. These were fun times."

In those early days, curlers were also much more at the mercy of the weather. The old curling club was not insulated and didn't have a way to make ice, except for flooding the floor and waiting for Mother Nature to do the rest.

"If it was cold outside, it was cold on the ice," says Hussey, whose father and uncle helped draw the logs donated by Hay and Company to the mill to be cut as lumber for the building.

"There were no heaters and could get down to -30° inside. You had to dress warmly and have lots of coffee and rum in you before you started to play."

"The Skyline Bonspiel always seems to have weather extremes, from -40° to +10°. One year, of the eight cars up from Oshawa, only one would start the next morning. The others had to be towed into Curry

Motors to thaw out."

The delicious cooking of the women volunteers helped to warm everyone up, as well. Those meals were always much enjoyed by the curlers.

Of course, the bonspiel is now held in the modern, well-insulated curling club (built in 1974) and most of the participants are older and wiser, at least when it comes to their habit of being in bed asleep by midnight.

Yet just because they don't drink as much, Scott says the social aspect of the bonspiel hasn't diminished. He still looks forward to meeting old friends year after year, friends he often

hasn't seen since the last year's bonspiel. "It's like old times."

It's believed he's the only person who has curled in all 40 Skyline Bonspiels since the first one, named after the new Skyline Park in 1960. He's now 82.

There are some curlers from Oshawa who have almost as many Skylines under their belt as Scott, though. There's always been a strong tie between the Haliburton and Oshawa clubs, since many of the Oshawa players first came to the Highlands during hunting season and then bought cottages here. Of the 32 rinks competing each year, eight are always from Oshawa and

four are from Haliburton.

"Oshawa's lifelong ambition is to win all four trophies, the equivalent of the Triple Crown. We keep telling them that the only way they can do this is to send 32 teamst," smiles Hussey.

Getting to be on one of the four Haliburton teams is no small feat, either. Curlers must compete at the club for the honour. (The number of Haliburton teams is limited to four since organizers want the bonspiel to be of local economic benefit.)

Hussey would like to thank the businesses who support the bonspiel, especially the four trophy sponsors: Haliburton

Lumber, Curry Motors, Haliburton Home Hardware and Dawson Insurance, as well as Pizza Den, which sponsors a team skills shoot-out.

The public is welcome to watch the games, which start Friday January 15 with draws at 3, 5, 7 and 9 p.m. and continue all day Saturday from 8 a.m. to midnight. The finals are Sunday, Jan. 17 at 2 p.m.

"It's a great time greet old friends and meet new ones," Hussey says. "It's the highlight of the Haliburton curling season, an event that is truly enjoyed by all curlers, volunteers and spectators."

Jackrabbit ski program begins this Saturday afternoon at Glebe Park

Nordic Notes
by BLAKE PATON

There's nothing like a cold snap to silence those who doubt the continued existence of winter in times of global warming. Despite a late start, winter served up enough snow for all local trails to open just after Christmas, and that includes both the Nordic Trails and Moosewoods systems.

The Jackrabbit ski group will begin on Saturday, January 9th from 1:30—3:00 at Glebe Park. Parents of children 5-14 years old should bring both the kids and their equipment to the park in time to get registered for another year of fun and skiing.

Last year the Haliburton Ski Club set a record for participation in the Jackrabbit program, and we'd like to increase participation again this year.

The winners of the Haliburton Ski Club Early-Bird draw are: Rob Hill, Tracy Hubbert, Hans Ramkema, Douglas Mitchell, The Lapierre Family, Janice Warfield, Ann MacDonald, Colin MacDavid, Marcel Crete, Ron Earle and Rob Paul.

Jim Andrews found the generosity of the donors quite overwhelming.

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Tourney champion a home-town favourite

by SHERRY MULHOLLAND

The Major Tykes hosted their annual tournament on December 29.

The format included two divisions – a Tyke tier and a Select tier, each tier with four teams. As the championships were awarded based on points, each team played the other teams in their tier once.

The Select side saw the Uxbridge Bruins taking the A

Championship with East Gwillimbury as runner-up.

Haliburton played in the Tyke tier and faced Coldwater in their first game. Curtis Nichol played well in net, allowing only two goals. Haliburton won 7 - 2.

Haliburton's second game was against Ennismore. Adam VanNood earned the shut-out in

a 14 - 0 victory.

The Huskies' final game was against Bancroft. Curtis Nichol earned the shut-out in this game, a 13 - 0 win. The Huskies finished first in their division, taking the A Championship with the Bancroft Jets as runner-up.

The Huskies displayed a

much improved sense of teamwork. The defensive plays by Gavin Barker, Curtis Nichol, Adam VanNood and J. L. Frybort were outstanding and assisted the goaltenders in their shut-outs.

Assisting on the scoring during the tournament were Jordan Roberts, Curtis Nichol, Brady

Yavis, J. L. Frybort, Craig Mulholland, Gavin Barker, Brett Yavis, Jake Palmer and Steven Jacobs.

Benefiting from the assists and putting the puck in the net were: Jake Palmer, Steven Jacobs, J. L. Frybort, Luke Watson, Craig Mulholland, Brett Yavis and Adam VanNood.

Craig Mulholland (game one), Jake Palmer (game two), and Steven Jacobs (game three) were chosen by the opposing coaches as Most Valuable Players, but each member of the Huskies deserved an award.

Haliburton Lumber sponsored a shooting competition in which each team had two players that took one shot at a board containing slots. No one was able to win the \$500 prize but some were able to put it in for a prize of a water bottle or roll of tape. Haliburton fared well in the timed skating competition that was held at the other end of the rink. Craig Mulholland skated away with first prize in the Tyke division with a time of 13.00 and Steven Jacobs finished second with a time of 13.80.

All the teams went away very happy with the tournament and the day in general. Special thanks goes out to Shelly VanNood who organized the activities, lunch, draws, etc. Very well done!

The Huskies travelled to Ops on Saturday, January 2. Haliburton was short two players due to other activities and two due to the weather. Having only two spares on the bench made things tiring, but Haliburton never gave an inch to Ops.

The Huskies opened the scoring early in the first when Craig Mulholland picked up the puck on the boards and took it in for a shot, was stopped by the goalie and banged in his own rebound. Ops tried many times to even the score, but were either turned around by the defence of Curtis Nichol, Jordan Roberts and Scott Griffith, or turned away by the great play of Adam VanNood in net.

Haliburton got another one midway through the second period when Steven Jacobs went in all alone and put one past the goalie to make it 2 - 0. Ops, try as they might, were not able to compete with Haliburton's combination of defence and goaltending.

Scott Griffith, late in the third, fed a nice pass up to Jake Palmer who popped it in between the pipes to make a final score of 3 - 0.

Not noted above, but a definite force on the ice, was Luke Watson who was not able to take a breather the entire third period as he was needed on the ice.

The team is starting to pull together and play as a team, as well as listen to and learn from the coaching staff. Scott Watson and Bill Mulholland, who quite often receive assistance from Richard VanNood, Lindsey Roberts, Herschel Jacobs and Debbie Watson, have done a remarkable job with this great group of boys.

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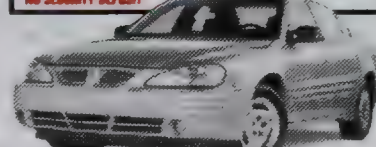
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On Saturday morning, it wasn't much warmer inside the Haliburton arena than it was outside, as people such as Bob Nichol arrived for the PeeWee tournament. Ticket taker Maureen Smith had to bundle in a blanket to try to keep warm.

Terrific stick handling leads to some impressive Husky victories over the holidays

by LAURIE SMITH

During the Christmas break, the OMHA Novice Huskies were as busy as the elves. On December 21, they travelled through fog and snow to Ops to take on the Flames. Even though the Husky bench was short, Haliburton managed to dominate the game.

The only counter in the first period was by Devin Hunter, assisted by Dallyn Smith. Terrific stick handling by Max Ambridge to Mitch Vasey, assisted Chase Thurston to score the only second period goal. Ian Sachs did a great job in net earning a shutout, as Haliburton defeated Ops 2 - 0.

On December 27, the Huskies were challenged on their home ice by Omemee. Highlights in this game included Tyler Watson, unassisted, answering back to an Omemee goal in the second period. Ryan Scheffee darted into the opponent's end from the point to score for the Huskies, and, in the dying seconds of the same period, Mitch

Vasey deked the Omemee defense to notch another point.

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OMHA NOVICE HUSKIES

ment. For their first game, Haliburton met up with Oshawa. The Huskies took an easy win beating Oshawa 4 - 1. Ian Sachs was only seven seconds away from another shutout. Goals were earned by Mitch Vasey, Max Ambridge, Tyler Watson and Dallyn Smith. Winning plays were set up by Tyler Watson, Kenton Winn, and Devin Hunter.

The Huskies next had the honour of playing the talented Bracebridge Bears, but it was the Huskies who took a bite out of the Bears, winning 5 - 2. Dynamite goalie, Kyle Evans,

was on fire in net. Tyler Watson picked up one goal and one assist. Mitch Vasey slapped in a goal. Devin Hunter earned two goals and two assists. Kenton Winn tallied one goal and three assists. Adam DeCarlo added two assists, while Ryan Scheffee and Curtis Barker each contributed an assist.

Haliburton went into the championship game on a high. But, with an injury previously sustained and already short a player, the Huskies were defeated by an overpowering Lindsay squad, 5 - 3. Tyler and Devin were the only Husky sharpshooters, assisted by Max and Dallyn. If the Huskies had the opportunity to play with a fresh and full roster, the outcome of that championship game would have been quite different. Despite being from a smaller centre, the Huskies proved to be a force to be reckoned with. It was a great effort by the entire Husky team!

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ATOM B HUSKIES

**Move up in
T-C league
means it's
harder to win**

by DAN MacMILLAN

On December 27 the Robert Austin/Hockey Haven Atom B Huskies played host to Mariposa's second entry team. Competition has grown more intense since the Huskies have moved up to the premier division of Tri-County. It was evident in this game as the top teams jockey for the best playoff

berth.

Midway through the first period, Mariposa took a 1 to 0 lead. Early in the second, Kevin Crofts tied it up for Haliburton from Jenny Perrott and Jeff Burk. Later in the period, Dylan Metcalfe grabbed the lead for Haliburton from Connor MacMillan and Kevin.

Early in the third, the Lightning tied it up again. With

about five minutes left Dylan gave the Huskies the lead from Michel Leroux and Jeff. The Huskies then fell victim to a rash of penalties which allowed Mariposa to score a power play goal with 52 seconds left in the game to tie it up. Haliburton played the remainder of the game two men short but managed to hold on to the 3 to 3 tie. Both teams played a very

close game and it could have gone either way. Adam Trueman was once again strong in net and was a contributing factor.

With the competition being improved and the new alignment of the league, one thing is very clear. The days of the 10 to 0 blow-outs are behind us. It's going to get tougher from here on in.



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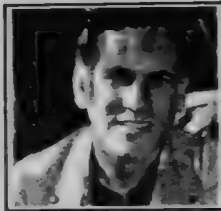
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The end of December '98 and the beginning of January '99 reintroduced us to what a real

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There will be a Dinner and Music Night at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Saturday, January 16, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The dinner is being catered by the Dorset Lifeliners, so will be delicious. It consists of stew and biscuits, salad, tea, coffee, juice, and dessert. After dinner,

everyone is invited to delight the audience with their talents. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. Tickets are limited and available at the Recreation Centre during open hours. Come and enjoy the fun and a good meal.

The Foot Clinic at the Dorset Senior Centre is Wednesday, January 13. Please call Ebba at 766-2263 for an appointment.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery go to Marcella MacKay who is at present in hospital.

Due to the generosity of all the people who bought tickets on the canoe that was raffled last summer and to all the workers who spent time and effort selling the tickets, the Dorset Lions Club has been able to purchase a rescue boat.

One thing the cold spell did was make a picture postcard scene of the landscape. The tree limbs are all silver coated with frost and garlands of snow decorate the trees, making the whole scene a virtually breathtaking, unequalled masterpiece.

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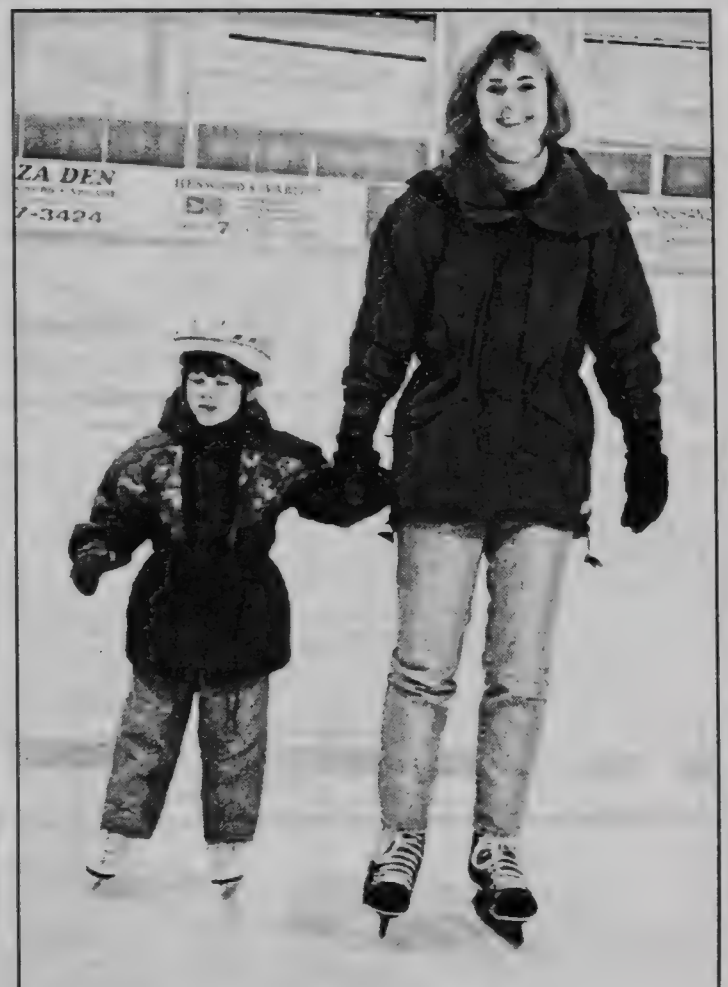
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The Red Cross is currently recruiting volunteers to help with its Emergency Services Team.

As part of a number of municipal agreements, the Red Cross has a role to provide Registration and Inquiry Services. In this role, the Red Cross volunteers help locate, identify and reunite family members who have been separated.

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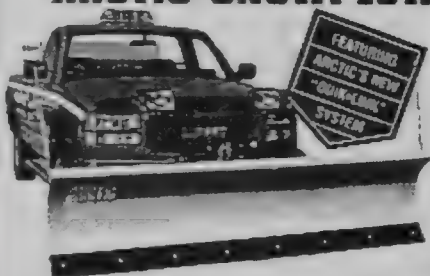


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In this last year of the nineteen hundreds, as plans are made for 2000 celebrations and projects, thoughts go back as well as forward. How did residents approach the year 1900?

Great uncle Thomas Graham was the reeve of Monmouth Township (1898 - 1905). How much time did it take Uncle Tommie (days, not hours), to get to the County Council meetings in Minden a century ago? What were the concerns, the issues, the projects of that time?

Mother, Mable Hughey, aged five (b. 1893) with a new step-mother (Nellie Paull), would already have been familiar with the day-long trips by horses and sleigh or double rig to "Grandpa Paull's" in Haliburton, Father, Walter (b. 1885) would have been in his thirteenth year this month in 1899. He would have been familiar with the wonder of the I. B. & O. Railway and the difference it was making for the people of the area.

What a different world today as we concern ourselves with computer systems, and how the "chips" in so many of our machines are programmed to 1999. There seems to be less interest in 2000 than 1967 when Canadians celebrated our first 100 years as a federation. Maybe, as the year progresses, excitement will build.

The Loop Troupe resumes meetings on January 6, with rehearsals for the spring play. Though "Laffing Room Only" has been cast, the group always welcomes new interested mem-

bers to become involved in various aspects of production.

Twenty-four dancers took part in the Dance-a-thon for the basketball court. They danced throughout the night pausing fifteen minutes each hour for rest and food. By 8 a.m. on January 3, four youths, Brandy Elder, Stephanie Bolger, Terry Bannon and Jeremy Huffman, were still on the floor on their feet. What stamina! What fun! In addition to the satisfaction of raising funds for their cause, the four "survivors" were awarded prizes for their efforts.

New Year's Eve parties at the Wilberforce Legion and the Harcourt Community Centre are reported to have been successful, pleasant events.



For dozens of people the new year started with a groan - the sound of a car engine refusing to turn over. Tow trucks were kept busy taking cars which wouldn't start into garages such as Curry Motors, where mechanic Don Miller coaxed them back into life. He says many of the people who had problems were those visiting from the city, where block heaters are not as essential for surviving winter. Of course, there were those Highlanders who had block heaters and forgot to plug them in...

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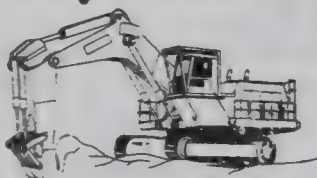
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- Jan. 7 & 14: **Haliburton Highlands Twirlers Square Dancing** starting January 7, 7 p.m., J.D. Hodgson School gym. Jan. 7 & 14 FREE to beginners. For more information call 457-1328.
- Jan. 13: Join **Wheels to Meals** at Haliburton Kei's, 12 noon. Reservations required. Home Support, 457-2941.
- Jan. 15: **Cribbage**, 1 p.m. at Home Support. Further information, 457-2941. Every Friday.
- Jan. 20: Join **Wheels to Meals** in West Guilford at Rip's. Reservations required. Home Support, 457-2941.
- Jan. 26: Join **Wheels to Meals** in Gooderham at the Community Centre. Reservations required. Home Support, 457-2941.
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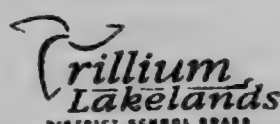
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Young writers and artists advance to district level of Legion's Remembrance Day competition

The following are the Haliburton Br. 129 winners in the Zone 4 Royal Canadian Legion Literacy and Poster Contest.

Junior Colour Poster: 2nd place - Julie Johnston.

Intermediate Colour Poster: 3rd place - Tammy Johnston.

Senior Colour Poster: 1st place - Jennifer Orpana.

Senior Black and White Poster: 1st place - Jeremy Johnson.

Junior Essay: 3rd place - Maxwell Creelman.

Junior Poem: 2nd place - Leanna Pearsell.

Senior Poem: 2nd place - Jennifer Ferguson.

Congratulations to all these winners at Zone Level. The two first place

winners have now been forwarded on to the District Level of competition.

Don't forget! The public speaking contest is Sunday, February 28, at the Haliburton Legion. Doors will open at 12:30 p.m.

Second Information Centre

Algonquin Park Forest 2000-2020 Forest Management Plan

The Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), the Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA) and the Algonquin Park Local Citizens Committee invite you to attend a public information centre to discuss the 2000-2020 forest management plan for the Algonquin Park Forest.

The forest management plan will outline the long-term strategic direction for the management of the forest, and the details of harvest, renewal and tending operations and access road locations for the first five-year term 2000-2020.

The purpose of the information centre is to provide the public with an opportunity to review and comment on proposed areas for harvest, renewal and tending operations, alternatives for primary and secondary road locations, and alternative or proposed "area of concern" prescriptions, for the first five-year term of the plan.

The information centres will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following locations:

Monday, February 15, 1999

Huntsville Centennial Centre
20 Park Road, Auditorium A
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Monday, February 22, 1999

Pembroke Catering Hall
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Tuesday, February 16, 1999

Mattawa Legion Hall
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Wednesday, February 24, 1999

Barry's Bay Legion Hall
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In addition, the Planning Team will also meet with interested parties from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the following two locations:

Thursday, February 18, 1999

Triumph Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel
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Tuesday, February 23, 1999

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The information centres and public meetings will provide interested persons the opportunity to comment on the details of forest management operations for the first five-year term of the plan, before decisions are made, and before a draft forest management plan is submitted to the ministry for review and approval.

Should you be unable to attend the information centres/public meetings, or wish to contribute information after the information centres have been completed, you can review and comment on the displayed material by arranging an appointment (including an appointment during non-business hours) with either John Winters, Park Superintendent and District Manager at (613) 637-2780, ext. 334, Carl Corbett (AFA) at (705) 789-9647, ext.29, or Peter Dawson at (613) 732-5555 (MNR).

A summary map of the proposed areas for harvest, renewal and tending operations and alternative road locations for the first five-year term of the plan may be obtained from the office of the Algonquin Forestry Authority or the ministry's Pembroke District Office (see addresses below).

Comments concerning this part of the forest management plan must be received by May 3, 1999.

In addition to this information centre, formal public involvement opportunities are tentatively scheduled as follows:

Public Review of the Draft Forest Management Plan

August 17, 1999

Public Inspection of the MNR-approved Forest Management Plan

January 15, 2000

The planning team for the forest management plan consists of the following people:

Carl Corbett, R.P.F., Chief Forester, AFA - Plan Author
John Winters, Park Superintendent and District Manager
Peter Dawson, R.P.F., Park Forester, MNR
Bruce Sandilands, Senior Resource Planner, MNR
Mike Duncan, Algonquin Park Operations South Leader, MNR
Dan Cotnam, Algonquin Park Operations North Leader, MNR

Sid Bredin, Fire Management Supervisor, MNR
Norm Quinn, Park Biologist, MNR
Keith Fletcher, R.P.F., Area Forester, AFA-Secretary
Robin Tapley, Local Citizens Committee
Barb Carlstrom, Local Citizens Committee

There is an opportunity at any time during the forest management planning process for interested persons to seek resolution of issues with the plan author. If there is still dissatisfaction with the results of issue resolution with the plan author, the ministry's Park Superintendent and District Manager and/or the ministry's Regional Director will attempt to resolve the issue.

There is also an opportunity at any time during the forest management planning process for interested persons to make a request to the Minister of the Environment that specific forest management activities require an individual environmental assessment under the *Environmental Assessment Act*.

The Ministry of Natural Resources is collecting comments and information regarding this forest management plan under the authority of the *Crown Forest Sustainability Act* to assist in making decisions and determining further public consultation needs. Comments and opinions will be kept on file for use during the operating term of the forest management plan, and may be included in study documentation which is made available for public review.

Under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (1987), personal information will remain confidential unless prior consent is obtained. However, this information may be used by the Ministry of Natural Resources as public input on other resource management surveys and projects. For further information regarding this Act, please contact Tom Smith at (613) 637-2780, ext. 201.

If you have any issues or concerns, or if you would like to receive additional background information, please contact the Park Superintendent and District Manager at (613) 637-2780, ext. 334. If you would like to be added to the mailing list for the duration of the planning process, please contact Peter Dawson at (613) 732-5555.

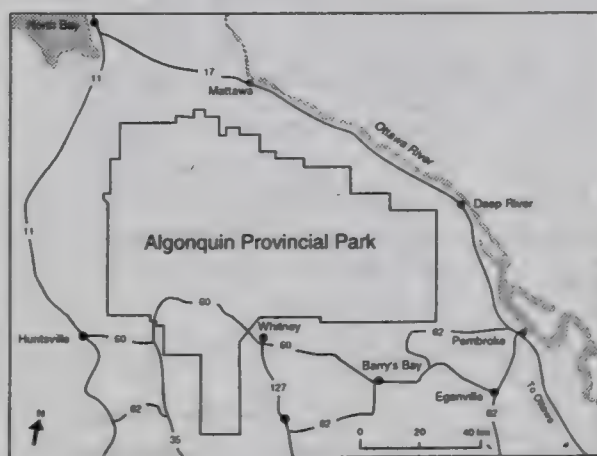
For further information on the forest management planning process, information relating to the preparation of this forest management plan, or background information about the Algonquin Park Forest, please contact any of the following individuals during normal office hours:

Peter Dawson
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Pembroke District Office
P.O. Box 226
Pembroke ON K8A 6W6
Tel.: (613) 732-5555

Carl Corbett
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The Haliburton County Real Estate Board recently presented a donation of \$13,450 to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. The donation was made by members of the real estate board, as well as other vendors and clients they worked with through the year. At the presentation were (from left): Cheryl Bolger, Ruth Mitchel, Darrell Stamp, John Hincks, HHHS Foundation chair Dale Walker, Anthony vanLieshout, Linda Baumgartner, Denver Lewis, Donna Graham, Vince Duchene, Darlene Brown and Al Mayo.



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and our daughter Beth from St. Catharines. A special gift of mine was the mitts made of caribou from Maggie Milne from Coral Harbour.

Mark and Kristalyn Freeman, our next door neighbours, visited with her brother in St. Catharines over the holiday.

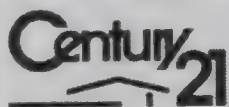
The Stamp and Nicholls family gathered at the Centre on New Year's Day, about eighty in number, for a really special dinner celebration.

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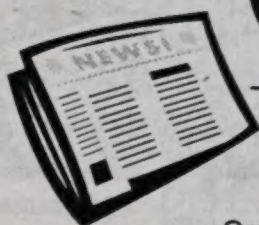
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JANUARY 13**

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703 LOST & FOUND

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708 OBITUARIES

LETTIE MITCHELL
Peacefully at Fairhaven Home,
Peterborough, on Saturday,
January 2, 1999
Lettie Mitchell, formerly of Tory Hill
was in her 88th year. Wife of the late
Bert Mumford (1960) and the late
Warren Mitchell (1998). Beloved
sister of the late Hubert Dunford
(Erma). Mother of the late Aileen
Blodgett and her husband the late
Gerry Blodgett. Loving grandmoth-
er of Beverley Breedon (Chris),
Robert Blodgett (Sue), Lorrie
Yaxley (Dan), and the late
Cathy Kingsland (Mike), great
grandmother of Bert (Wanda),
Liesa, Sean, Karen, Christopher,
Rebecca, Jacob, and the late
Becky, and great great grandmother
of Dalphine. Friends were received
at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral
Home, 127 Main St., Minden KOM
2K0 (1-888-588-5777) from 7-9
p.m. on Monday. Funeral Service
will be held at the South Wilberforce
United Church on Tuesday, Janu-
ary 5th, 1999 at 11:00 a.m., with the
Reverend Robert McMath officiat-
ing. Reception to follow in the
church hall. Spring interment South
Wilberforce Cemetery. Memorial
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We know you're in God's hands
now
He took away the pain
We love you and miss you
But some day we'll meet again.
Sadly missed by **wife Elsie, chil-
dren and grandchildren.**

MUMFORD - In loving memory of
our dear sister, Donna Mumford,
who passed away January 3, 1998.
It's so strange for those we need
And those we loved the best
Are just the ones that God called
away
And took them home to rest.
And every time we think of Donna
We seem to hear God say
Have faith and trust in my promise
You'll meet again some day.
Always loved and sadly missed by
Marlene, Jack and families.

710 LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND OTHERS
IN THE MATTER
OF THE ESTATE OF
LILLIAN MEREDITH BEYNON**
All creditors and others having
claims against the Estate of the late
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the 29th day of November, 1998,
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amongst the persons entitled here-
to by the Executor/Administrator of
the Estate, having regard only to
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low shall have notice.
DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this
18th day of December, 1998.
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Ontario KOM 1S0. CA

712 CARDS OF THANKS

I WOULD LIKE to express my
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called the ambulance, to Ron Bain
and John VanSchaik of Eagle Lake,
to the ambulance drivers and to
Dr. T. Stephenson and the nurses
at the Haliburton Hospital, and to
Const. Ben Manuge, thank you all,
Erika Boldt.

WE WOULD LIKE to express our
sincere thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Bob
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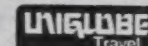
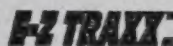
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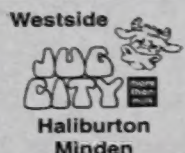
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Year round cottage or home, 1000 sq ft, 3 bedroom, cozy pine interior, w/o dining room to deck, fireplace, 4 pc bath, drilled well, southern view of lake. \$69,000 VA1342 Call Ted Vasey



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Perfect for first time buyers! Three bedroom home on school bus route. Private level lot. Halls Lake public beach and park nearby. Asking \$82,900 RE1511 Call Fred Gardner



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Rugged Algonquin style lot on Big Kinnis Lake. Bunkie and tool shed already to go. Lovely sunny lot. \$87,400 VA1567 Call Cathy Lancia



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A fisherman's paradise! Enjoy the privacy of this home/cottage on 90 acres with its own private lake. Reduced to \$107,500. RE1470 Call Bill Payne



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Level nicely treed lot with a neat & clean cottage & boathouse. Call now. VA1583 Call Rick Lowes



HALIBURTON LAKE
Very private location, 100 feet frontage. Renovated cottage, large party deck, fantastic view, very private swimming. \$109,450 VA1517 Call Bob Heinze



RIVERSIDE DRIVE
Large home located in Haliburton close to all amenities. Raised bungalow features full bright basement, carport, glassed in sunroom, ensuite bath, eat in kitchen, three bedrooms and a level lot. Listed for \$109,768. RE1557 Call Vince Duchene



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Lovely Western sunsets from this newly constructed home/cottage. w/o basement. Needs some interior finishing. Located off Highway 35. You can't beat the price at \$119,500 VA1483 Call Norm Harrison



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Large winterized cottage in a sandy bay on Big Kinnis Lake. Garage & bunkie, part log. 175' frontage. \$143,700 VA1557 Call Cathy Lancia



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Tucked away on a quiet cul de sac in town, this 3 bdrm. home features hardwood floors, main floor laundry, jacuzzi bath, central vac and a full basement. \$158,000 Call Linda Baumgartner



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English "Tudor" style manor house with 420' river frontage. Over 3200 sq. ft., year round 3 bedroom home. 3 fireplaces, w/o rec. room. Many other features! \$159,000 RE1538 Call Fred Gardner



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2 storey custom built home. 1900 sq ft plus w/o finished basement. Large country kitchen with w/o to deck. 4 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms. 350 feet on river. Miles of boating. A must see. \$175,000 RE1514 Call Ted Vasey



Four Season Waterfront Home/Cottage
On Crego Lake. 3 large bedrooms, fireplace, attached garage, inground pool plus a gorgeous waterfront. Only \$189,900. Call Now. RE1550 Call Rick Lowes



NEW LISTING
Great 3 bdrm, 2 bath cottage on Long Lake, full basement, walkout deck. 180 ft frontage. \$189,900. Call Linda Baumgartner



HALIBURTON LAKE
Beautiful southern exposure, 183' sandy shore, 2 out cabins, boathouse on the water, double car garage with full loft & bathroom, the most unique barbecue you've ever seen. Very level lot. \$214,450 VA 1561 Call Robert Heinze



DRAG LAKE
Custom designed, quality built, 4 bdr log faced waterfront home. Master ensuite & jacuzzi, stone fp, family rm with airtight, mfl laundry, walk-outs to decks, in-law suite with kitchen, dbl attached garage. Privately situated, nicely treed 1.12 acre lot with 248' frontage. \$309,000 RE1536 Call Julie Gray



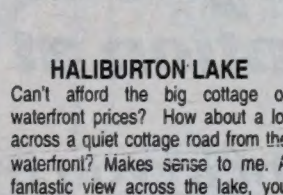
LAKE KASHAGAWIGAMOG
Beautifully designed & decorated 4 bdr log waterfront home, ensuite, mfl flr ldr, dr, 2 fireplaces, 4 season sun room, many w/o. Dbl separately deeded lot with guest cabin, 206' safe sand shore, w. exp., on 5 lake chain - min from town. \$389,000 RE1509 Call Julie Gray



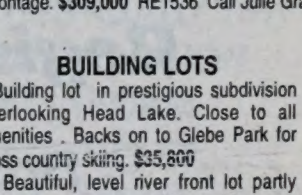
KASHAGA'S BEST
3500 sq ft west facing lakefront home. 4 bdrms and 2 masters with ensuites, four FP, 6 baths, 2 family rooms. Professionally decorated & landscaped, dbl garage, boat house, workshop. \$529,000 RE1546 Call Linda Beachli



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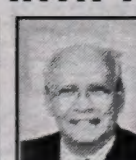
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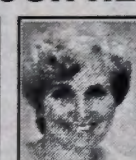
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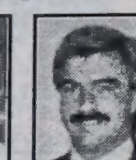
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